

**Capitol Complex Advisory Council
Draft Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 14, 2011
10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Room 152, Capitol Building, Helena**

Members Present: Janet R. Kelly, Chairperson, Department of Administration
Senator Lynda Moss
Senator Terry Murphy
Representative Liz Bangerter
Representative Diane Sands
Denise King, Montana Historical Society
Liz Gans, Montana Arts Council
Chas Van Genderen, Montana Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

Members Absent: Sandi Miller, Public Representative

Staff: Gretchen Bingman, Department of Administration
Monica Abbott, Department of Administration
Angie Gifford, Department of Administration
Jennifer Bottomly-O'looney, Montana Historical Society
Doug Olson, Department of Administration

Public: John Adams, Great Falls Tribune
Chere Juisto, Montana Preservation Alliance

Call to Order and Introductions

Chairperson Janet R. Kelly called the Capitol Complex Advisory Council (CCAC) to order at 10:00 a.m. welcoming members and visitors. Chairperson Kelly noted that Gretchen Bingman is moving to a new job and Angie Gifford will assume Ms. Bingman's responsibilities as staff person for the Council.

CCAC Operating Procedures

Chairperson Kelly gave a review of the Council's [Operating Procedures](#).

Approval of the November 17, 2010, Meeting Minutes

The minutes of the November 17, 2010, meeting were called approved as corrected by Chairperson Kelly. Ms. Bingman noted a minor typo.

Overview of Role of Capitol Complex Advisory Council

Ms. Bingman gave an overview to the Council on its statutory responsibilities concerning the placement of art and memorials on the Capitol Complex.

Discussion led to questions regarding the wording in the [Art and Memorial Plan](#) regarding whether the women's mural would be subject to another vote of the

Legislature. Chairperson Kelly will have legal counsel review the plan for clarification.

In regard to the required inventory of art and memorials on the Capitol Complex, it was suggested that a link to the inventory be placed on the CCAC, Department of Administration (DOA), and Montana Historical Society web pages.

Election of Chairperson

The next order of business was election of the chairperson, whose term will cover the next two years. Chairperson Kelly entertained nominations for the chairperson.

Motion

Representative Sands nominated Director Kelly to continue as chairperson. Denise King called for close of nominations. The Council unanimously approved the nomination. Director Kelly will serve as chairperson for the next two years.

Discussion of Francis Bardanouve Plaque

Jennifer Bottomly-O'looney presented a mockup of the bronze plaque and the originally suggested text. She explained the plaque would include a bas-relief of Representative Bardanouve, using a photo loaned by his wife, Venus Bardanouve (copies provided to the Council). Ms. Bottomly-O'looney shared the revised text (approved by both Mrs. Bardanouve and Senator Dave Wanzenried) for the plaque with the members. Representative Sands asked if the Council could approve the text. Chairperson Kelly added there were revisions to the original wording to reduce the amount of text.

Representative Sands asked for an estimate of the cost for the plaque. Ms. Bottomly-O'looney replied that an estimate based on the 36" x 26" size, the original wording, and before the photo had been provided, was \$3404.60 including shipping; however, the price may fluctuate based on the price of copper and other factors. The cost of casting the plaque will be paid with funds raised by Senator Wanzenried, sponsor of 2011 HB 69, which added the plaque to statute.

Approval of Bardanouve plaque wording, design, and location

Senator Murphy stated he is in favor of the wording of the text. Chairperson Kelly entertained a motion on the text for the plaque.

Motion

Liz Gans offered a motion to adopt the revised text for the plaque (attached). The motion was seconded by Ms. King. The Council unanimously passed the motion.

The Council members then looked at three proposed locations on the first floor east wing of the Capitol, the area to be named in honor of Representative Bardanouve. It was noted that, in addition to the plaque, wording similar to

"Francis Bardanouve Wing" will be added above the entrance to the Legislative Fiscal Division.

Motion

Representative Bangerter moved to accept the location on the north wall outside the glass entrance doors to the Legislative Fiscal Division. There was unanimous acceptance by the Council members.

An installation celebration will be held in the Capitol Rotunda in March 2012 with the Bardanouve family invited to attend as special guests. Council members will be provided all updates regarding the celebration.

Women's Mural Discussion

Senator Moss led the discussion on the women's mural approved by 2011 SB 59. The Council needs to select a subcommittee to choose the artist and raise the funds. Representative Sands provided samples of murals by a Missoula artist as examples of multi-image murals and a style that would be in keeping with other art in the Capitol.

The Council looked at numerous possible locations throughout the Capitol building.

Representative Sands asked about protection of murals because of the amount of traffic in the building. Ms. Bottomly-O'looney responded that provision for protection would be included into the overall cost. There are no estimates at this time. Representative Sands will ask a muralist in Missoula for approximate costs.

It was noted that the bill calls for the design to be consistent with the genre of art in the Capitol and comply with installation and maintenance requirements specified in the Art and Memorial Plan. The location should be able to absorb the content and not compete with existing art. The bill includes the creation of a mural showing diverse roles of women. Representative Sands suggested that multiple images would be a good method for interpretation.

Motion

Representative Sands made a motion, with Representative Bangerter seconding, to select the location of the third floor, south side of the Capitol at the top of the main stairway below the barrel vault. Both the east and west walls were designated for mural panels. The Council deferred a final vote on the location to the next meeting as that vote was not included as an action item on the agenda.

Women's Mural Subcommittee Membership

Senator Moss suggested general criteria for the subcommittee including a manageable size with leaders from various communities. She noted that Lieutenant Governor John Bohlinger and his wife Karen were asked to serve on the subcommittee. The subcommittee will be responsible for fundraising.

Senator Moss, Representative Sands, Representative Bangerter, Ms. Gans, and Ms. King volunteered to serve as subcommittee members. The subcommittee will add additional members and provide a formal list to the Council for final approval. Ms. Bottomly-O'looney will act as an advisor. Chairperson Kelly assured the subcommittee that Council staff would provide staffing support.

Representative Sands noted that November 3, 2014, is the centennial of Montana women's suffrage, and suggested using that as a target date for completion. Ms. Bingman mentioned that date conforms to the five-year limit of the bill.

Motion

Representative Sands made a motion nominating Senator Moss as chair of subcommittee with Representative Bangerter seconding. The motion passed unanimously.

Chairperson Kelly asked Doug Olson, DOA facilities manager, for his comments regarding the proposed mural location. He offered his approval of the suggested location. He added that fire extinguishers and signage could be moved to clear the space, and that lighting could be provided. He also expressed support for use of both sides of the space for balance. Representative Sands asked about measurements of the space. Mr. Olson will provide the measurements to subcommittee.

Approval of Fiscal Sponsor

Representative Sands noted that \$2,000 has been pledged for the mural by the members of the Democratic Women's Caucus. Ms. King offered to create a special account at the Historical Society to receive the money to be used for the mural. She will work with the DOA accounting division to set up a non-budgetary fund. Ms. King stated reports on the fund could be provided to the Council either quarterly or monthly as needed, and no administrative costs would be charged. In addition, it was noted that contributions made to the fund will be tax-deductible as a charitable contribution.

Motion

Senator Moss offered a motion, with Ms. Gans seconding it, for the Historical Society to create a special fund and to serve as the mural project's fiscal sponsor. The members unanimously approved the motion.

Public Comment

No public comment was received.

Additional Discussion

The subcommittee would make preliminary decisions regarding the mural design with final approval from the Council. Chairperson Kelly will clarify any

involvement by the legislature for the mural. The Art and Memorial Plan may need amending to clearly reflect the approval process.

Representative Sands asked about time needed for release of the RFP for an artist. Ms. Bingman said artists would need time to submit sample designs, but an RFP can be developed quickly and posted easily. Ms. Gans suggested three to four months for artists to respond with proposals after the RFP is released.

Senator Moss and Representative Sands asked questions such as what stationery would be used for fundraising solicitations. Chairperson Kelly will check with legal counsel and coordinate with the Historical Society about the fundraising for this project. She asked members to send any questions to her attention.

Chairman Kelly reiterated her offer of staff support for the work of the subcommittee.

Senator Moss thanked Ms. Bingman for her work with the Council.

Set Next Meeting Date

The chairperson will determine the date for the next Capitol Complex Advisory Council meeting.

Adjournment

The Capitol Complex Advisory Council adjourned at 11:59 a.m.

Approved Wording for Bardanouve Plaque

Francis Bardanouve
December 10, 1917 - March 17, 2002

Francis Bardanouve, a third-generation farmer-rancher from the Harlem area, was first elected to the Montana House of Representatives in 1958. He served a total of 18 sessions, 10 as chairman of the powerful House Appropriations Committee.

Representative Bardanouve overcame a speech impediment to become one of the most thoughtful, fair, and articulate members ever to serve in the Montana House of Representatives. Among his many accomplishments, Bardanouve secured passage of legislation creating the Board of Investments. He championed improved conditions for residents of the state hospital and developmental center. Instrumental in funding a professional staff for the Legislative Council, he also led the effort establishing the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst. When Bardanouve died at age 84, he still served on the Montana State Prison ranch advisory board.

Representative Bardanouve became known as "the Conscience of the Legislature." He constantly reminded his colleagues never to forget where they came from and not to let their positions go to their heads. A humble, compassionate, and dedicated public servant, he was unfailingly committed to doing what was right for Montana.